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# REPORTS

OF THE

# SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

# TOWN OF ANDOVER,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1869.

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## REPORT OF GEORGE SLEEPER,

*Treasurer from February 20, 1868, to March 10, 1868.*

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| Feb. 20. | Cash in the Treasury, | $712 54 |
| Mar. 10. | Received of Jeremiah Bartlett, | 3 00 |
| | John D. Swett, | 19 50 |
| | Daniel Ordway, | 19 50 |
| | James Davis, | 13 68 |
| | The whole amounting to | $768 22 |

Which is accounted for as follows:

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|---|---|---|
| Feb. 21, | Paid G. J. Swett, for breaking roads, | 5 70 |
| | John Clay, " | 5 00 |
| | Amasa Clark, " | 1 60 |
| | Green Greeley, " | 2 55 |
| | John Hobbs, " | 2 00 |
| | Eliphalet Shaw, " | 5 00 |
| | Jacob F. Emerson, Auditor, | 2 00 |
| | Ebenezer Currier, for wood furnished Jeremiah Bartlett, | 3 00 |
| | Car fare to Concord to get Reports printed, | 2 70 |
| | Hotel bill, | 2 50 |
| Mar. 6, | Express on Town Reports, | 25 |
| | James Newman, damage to goods and team, on account of bad road, | 5 00 |
| 7, | Timothy K. Swett, for breaking road, | 8 50 |
| | Jonathan Cilley 2d, " | 12 97 |
| | Daniel S. Kimball; school money for district No. 14, | 17 37 |
| | David Haines, for breaking roads, | 4 50 |
| | George Sleeper, for ballot box, | 1 00 |
| | E. C. Keniston, for breaking roads, | 19 28 |
| 9, | Wm. B. Emery, for breaking roads in winter of 1866 and 1867, | 7 45 |
| 10, | John Graves, for breaking roads and bills paid, | 15 65 |

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| Mar. 10. | Paid David Merrill for warming Hall for town meeting, and cleaning up the same, | 2 00 |
| | Board bill while making report, | 8 00 |
| | George Sleeper, ten days services after settlement, | 15 00 |
| | Wm. Butterfield, for printing Report, | 60 00 |
| Balance of cash on hand March 10, 1868, | | 559 20 |
| | | $768 22 |

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# SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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| Whole amount of taxes committed to collector for 1868, | $5,889 86 |
| The collector has discharged himself as follows: | |
| Cash paid town treasurer, | 4,949 01 |
| interest, | 11 12 |
| Abatement of taxes, | 51 87 |
| | $5,012 00 |
| Due from collector, | 915 64 |
| | $5,927 64 |

| 1868. | | |
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| Mar. 11, | Received of George Sleeper, treasurer for 1867, | $559 20 |
| | William H. Edmunds, collector for 1867, | 226 00 |
| 30, | Rollin E. Davis, hired money, | 250 00 |
| April 11, | Hiram Fellows, " | 500 00 |
| 15, | Wm. B. Emery, " | 200 00 |
| 30, | Abby Davis, " | 500 00 |
| May 12, | Rollin E. Davis, " | 250 00 |
| 18, | William H. Edmunds, collector for 1867, | 82 00 |
| 19, | Abby A. Stone, hired money, | 220 00 |
| 25, | Green Greeley " | 100 00 |
| June 4, | Clark Durgin, for "John Wadleigh note" (of $71 89,) 15 per cent. in full, | 10 79 |
| 13, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 200 00 |
| 29, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 300 00 |
| July 16, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 200 00 |

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| Aug. | 1, | Received of A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 100 00 |
| | 15, | Josiah Sawyer, hired money, | 200 00 |
| | 19, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 150 00 |
| | 28, | Enoch Seavey, hired money, | 200 00 |
| | 29, | Wm. Howard, " | 350 00 |
| Sept. | 1, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, county tax, | 909 01 |
| Oct. | 2, | John Graves, hired money, | 300 00 |
| | 3, | Rollin E. Davis, " | 200 00 |
| | | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 125 00 |
| | 5, | Abel B. Durgin, hired money, | 250 00 |
| | 7, | Hiram Fellows, " | 250 00 |
| | 13, | Geo. I. Greeley, " | 400 00 |
| | 17, | William H. Edmunds, collector for 1867, | 100 00 |
| Nov. | 3, | William H. Edmunds, collector for 1867, | 105 00 |
| | 16, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 900 00 |
| Dec. | 5, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 1,200 00 |
| | 14, | State, Savings Bank tax, | 214 47 |
| | | railroad tax, | 1,202 65 |
| | | literary fund, | 65 70 |
| | | United States bounties, | 240 00 |
| Feb. | 5, | county, for support of paupers, | 229 80 |
| | 18, | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 600 00 |
| | 20, | county, for support of Phelps' children in 1866, | 45 00 |
| | | George M. Stevens, collector for 1863, | 3 32 |
| | | George M. Stevens, in abatements, | 2 30 |
| | | William H. Edmunds, collector for 1867, | 214 00 |
| | | William H. Edmunds, in abatements, | 37 30 |

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| Feb. 20, | Received of A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, | 265 00 |
| | A. S. Greeley, in abatements, | 51 87 |
| | A. S. Greeley, collected as interest, | 11 12 |
| | from sale of personal property on town farm at auction, Dec. 3, | 1,100 85 |
| | from the sale of the remaining personal property reserved and overlooked at time of auction, | 31 40 |
| | | $13,651 78 |

*Current Expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mar. 11, | Paid John Graves, for 4 days' services as selectman after settlement, | $6 00 |
| | Clark Durgin, express bill on reports for 1866, | 25 |
| 23, | B. W. Sanborn, for invoice book and stationery, | 21 92 |
| | E. H. Rollins, for revenue stamps, | 5 00 |
| | Concord Post Office, postage stamps, | 1 50 |
| | car fare to Concord to get books and stationery, and to Gilford on Mrs. Watson, pauper case, | 3 65 |
| | hotel bill and horse hire, the same, | 2 75 |
| April 1, | John F. Emery, services as committee on soldiers' bounties, 1867, | 3 74 |
| | board bill while taking invoice, | 13 26 |
| 18, | Mary E. Moulton, for four meals while attending school district hearing, | 2 00 |
| | car fare from Centre to East Andover, | 35 |
| 23, | car fare to Concord and back, to see Minot on school house taxes, and expenses, | 2 60 |
| May 9, | car fare and horse hire to Plymouth, on pauper case, Ichabod Robie and wife, | 4 85 |
| | hotel bill same time, | 1 75 |

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| June | 13, | Paid car fare to Gilford and back, pauper case, | 2 80 |
| | | horse hire and expenses same time, | 3 40 |
| | | B. G. Howe, one meal, | 50 |
| July | 31, | car fare to Concord to see commissioners on pauper cases, and expenses, | 2 60 |
| Aug. | 21, | William E. Melendy, error in tax for 1867, | 7 20 |
| | 24, | E. G. Emery, for affidavits on pauper case, | 30 |
| | 29, | E. G. Emery, services as S. S. Committee and other expenses, | 39 00 |
| Sept. | 9, | car fare to Concord and expenses, to pay county tax, | 2 60 |
| | 25, | C. W. Cole, for postage stamps, | 1 35 |
| | 30, | " " horse to Potter Place and Mountain, | 2 00 |
| Oct. | 5, | W. S. Carr, horse to Wilmot to see Flanders on Chase case, | 1 00 |
| | | J. W. Keniston, horse to Wilmot on Phelps' case, | 1 25 |
| | 7, | car fare to Franklin and back to hire money, | 60 |
| | 24, | Cyrus W. Cole, horse to Gilford and Plymouth three days, | 5 00 |
| | | hotel bills same time, | 6 20 |
| | 30, | Sanborn Shaw, for dinners while perambulating, | 63 |
| | | A. J. Scribner, horse hire same time, | 50 |
| Nov. | 3, | David Merrill, for cleaning Academy Hall, | 1 50 |
| | | C. C. Moulton, for dinners and horse bating while regulating check-list, | 1 75 |
| | 4, | car fare to Concord to see county commissioners on pauper matters, and expense, | 3 02 |
| | 11, | car fare to Concord to settle with Minot & Mugridge, and to get auction bills printed, | 2 10 |
| Dec. | 3, | T. D. Little, services perambulating town line, | 2 50 |
| | | ferrying bays same time, | 25 |

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| Dec. | 12, | Paid car fare for two from Andover to W. Andover and back, and for one to E. Andover, | 1 20 |
| | 14, | car fare to Concord and back to pay State tax, | 2 10 |
| | | one meal same time, | 50 |
| | 26, | Granite Mutual Fire Insurance Co., | 5 08 |
| | 31, | W. Hoit, horse bating New London on S. A. Davis' case, | 35 |
| 1869. | | | |
| Jan. | 8, | Lowell Brown, for keeping self and horse over night, | 1 00 |
| | 16, | expenses to Dorchester, to settle with L. A. Follansbee, | 1 50 |
| | 27, | Mary E. Moulton, for watering place, | 3 00 |
| Feb. | 5, | car fare to Concord and back to settle with county commissioners, and expenses, | 3 60 |
| | | B. W. Sanborn, for town officers and check-lists, | 6 72 |
| | 16, | John B. Wadleigh, for watering place, | 3 00 |
| | 18, | Clark Durgin, " " | 3 00 |
| | | " " for making affidavits, | 1 50 |
| | 20, | Geo. M. Stevens, collector for 1863, abatements, | 2 30 |
| | | William H. Edmunds, collector's fees for 1867, | 10 56 |
| | | William H. Edmunds, collector, in abatements, 1867, | 37 30 |
| | | Alfred Davis, services as warden town farm one year, ending March 27, 1869, | 210 00 |
| | | Alfred Davis, services as treasurer, selectman and overseer of poor, to Feb. 20, 1869, | 140 00 |
| | | John Graves, for services as selectman, | 61 25 |
| | | John Graves, for services as overseer of poor, | 17 50 |
| | | John Graves, for horse hire out of town and board bills, | 5 25 |
| | | Nathan Woodbury, jr., for services as selectman and overseer of poor, | 59 53 |

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| Feb. 20, | Paid Nathan Woodbury, jr., for services incident to Mountain road, | 16 30 |
| | Nathan Woodbury, jr., for car fare, clerk's fees, time and expenses to Nashua to find record of "Twist Hill road," | 10 90 |
| | Nathan Woodbury, jr., for boarding selectmen and postage, | 3 44 |
| | Merrill Cross, for copy of records on Phelps' case, | 50 |
| | John W. Keniston, for services as town clerk, | 50 08 |
| | Alfred Davis, warden town farm, to balance warden's book, | 124 10 |
| | A. S. Greeley, collector for 1868, in abatements, | 51 87 |
| | A. S. Greeley, collector's fees, | 75 18 |
| | | $1,066 28 |

*Expenses Incident to the Sale of the Town Farm and Property.*

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| 1868. | | |
| Nov. 11, | Paid William Butterfield, for printing auction bills and advertising, | $6 00 |
| | one meal same time, | 50 |
| Dec. 3, | O. F. Fowler, for selling town farm and property, and revenue tax, | 33 35 |
| | H. M. Bosworth, for services same time, | 75 |
| 12, | H. M. Putney, for making deed, and stamps for the same, | 3 50 |
| | Jacob Rowe, for services auction day, | 1 00 |
| | | $45 10 |

*Expenses Incident to Mountain Road.*

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| 1868. | | |
| April 23, | Paid Wm. Butterfield, for printing notices, | $1 50 |
| 30, | Mary E. Moulton and Aaron Cilley, for board bill and horse bating, | 2 00 |
| May 2, | expenses while making specifications and selling the building of the "New Mountain Road," | 4 20 |

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| May 15, | Paid David Sleeper, land damage, | 110 00 |
| | Aaron Cilley, 2d, land damage, | 105 00 |
| | J. M. Shirley, for A. Cilley, 2d, and J. W. Cilley, land damage, | 55 00 |
| | J. M. Shirley, for cost on same, | 14 42 |
| | " " for B. E. & Mariah A. Stewart, land damage, | 170 00 |
| | J. M. Shirley, for cost on the same, | 18 74 |
| | Jeremiah H. Tucker, land damage, | 5 00 |
| | expenses to Springfield to pay land damage, | 1 50 |
| June 15, | S. Morrill, for two dinners, | 50 |
| July 11, | Daniel Downes, for building fourth section new road in full, | 261 25 |
| 28, | J. W. Cilley, for three dinners, | 1 00 |
| Aug. 29, | car fare to Potter Place, | 35 |
| | Cyrus Hobbs, for building first and second sections in full, | 393 85 |
| | George R. Keniston, for building the third section in full, | 250 70 |
| | J. D. Sleeper, copies of record, | 2 08 |
| | | $1,397 09 |

*Extra Highway.*

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|---|---|---|
| 1868. | | |
| Mar. 11, | Paid J. D. Philbrick, breaking road, | $14 63 |
| 18, | John Graves, " " | 5 00 |
| 31, | S. A. Tuttle, " " | 2 00 |
| April 1, | Jere. H. Tucker, " " | 10 90 |
| 2, | Harvey Durgin, " " | 12 56 |
| 6, | Joseph A. Rowe, " " | 1 50 |
| 7, | Augustus L. Cilley, damage on account of bad road, | 20 00 |
| 11, | John Graves, breaking roads, | 3 83 |
| 14, | Jonathan Weare, breaking roads, 1867–8, | 14 53 |
| | Thomas C. Hobbs, breaking roads, 1867–8, | 8 95 |
| 15, | James Flanders, breaking roads, 1867–8, | 3 80 |
| 24, | J. D. Philbrick, breaking roads, | 1 50 |
| May 20, | Daniel Downs, breaking roads, | 16 00 |

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| July | 17, | Paid Jeremiah H. Tucker, bridge plank, | 2 10 |
| | 28, | Samuel Morrill, building bridge at Cilleysville, | 200 00 |
| Aug. | 17, | Joseph A. Rowe, work on highway, | 5 08 |
| Sept. | 28, | Enos Sleeper, for plank and work on highway, | 8 87 |
| | 30, | Frank E. Chase, for damage done horse in 1867, on account of bad road, | 30 00 |
| Oct. | 2, | Daniel Downs, for building Weare bridge, | 39 00 |
| | 14, | Lyman B. Shaw, damage to wagon, | 4 00 |
| Dec. | 28, | Joseph B. Emery, for plank and bridge stringers, | 6 74 |
| 1869. | | | |
| Jan. | 13, | Franklin Avery, for stringers and bridge plank, | 9 14 |
| | 14, | Richard Pevare, for damage to sleigh in March, 1868, | 5 00 |
| | 18, | Henry Colby, for 780 feet plank, | 9 30 |
| Feb. | 1, | H. S. Clay, for 949 feet plank delivered in 1867, and drawing the same, | 12 86 |
| | 17, | William A. Batchelder, for breaking roads in February and March, 1868, | 7 50 |
| | 20, | J. C. Kilburn, for bridge stringers and covering, | 2 00 |
| | | H. M. Bosworth, Wm. Howard's bill, | 2 00 |
| | | J. H. Tucker, for work on highway, | 5 29 |
| | | E. G. Chase, for damage to horse and wagon in April, 1868, | 2 00 |
| | | James L. Keniston, for labor on highway, Palmer hill and bridge, | 12 00 |
| | | Steven S. Hersey, for bridge stringers and railing for Weare bridge, | 15 00 |
| | | G. A. Tucker, bridge stone and damage to grass in 1867, | 7 00 |
| | | William H. Edmunds, for breaking roads in winter of 1867, | 6 90 |
| | | | $506 98 |

*Extra Town Paupers.*

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|---|---|---|
| 1868. | | |
| Paid Mrs. Hannah West, for support of John W. West, 52 weeks, to Feb. 8, 1869, | | $104 00 |
| Mar. 23, | Paid Henry H. Sleeper, for goods furnished Mrs. Elijah Watson, | 10 00 |
| May 9, | town of Salisbury, for board of Daniel A. Ordway, | 3 00 |
| June 12, | H. H. Sleeper, for services and money paid out for Mrs. Watson, | 4 60 |
| 17, | C. W. Cole, horse to Sanbornton Bridge, to carry Mrs. Watson, | 1 25 |
| | car fare and board bill for Mrs. Watson to Lake Village, | 1 45 |
| Oct. 22, | S. L. Goss, for support of Mrs. E. Watson from March 23 to June 5, 1868, | 5 83 |
| Dec. 28, | Elias Davis, mending boots for John Emery, | 1 00 |
| | L. A. Follansbee, support of E. K. Sargent to July 4, 1868, | 26 67 |
| Feb. 20, | H. A. Weymouth, attendance on John Emery, | 3 75 |
| | | $161 55 |

*County Paupers.*

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|---|---|---|
| 1869. | | |
| Jan. 4, | Paid Clark Durgin, flour furnished James Davis, | $3 00 |
| 12, | C. G. Pevare, for pork furnished James Davis, | 3 00 |
| 29, | W. W. Sleeper, doctoring F. Keniston, | 12 00 |
| Feb. 1, | H. S. Clay, wood furnished J. Bartlett, | 13 13 |
| | C. G. Pevare, goods to F. Keniston, | 8 84 |
| | " " " J. Bartlett, | 16 50 |
| | " " " James Davis' family, | 42 79 |
| | John Graves, provision to James Davis' family, | 1 50 |

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| Feb. | 1, | Paid John Graves, mending clothes and aid to John Emery, | 4 25 |
| | | C. W. Cole, pair shoes for J. D. Swett, | 2 00 |
| | 3, | Ruth S. Gordon, for support of Judith Adams to Feb. 1, 1869, | 38 68 |
| | 6, | Alfred Davis, warden town farm, for board of county paupers, | 102 29 |
| | 9, | Timothy K. Swett, for board of J. D. Swett to Feb. 1, 1869, | 13 22 |
| | 20, | H. A. Weymouth, doctoring J. D. Swett, | 2 68 |
| | | H. A. Weymouth, doctoring Mrs. J. Davis, | 3 50 |
| | | | $237 38 |

*School Districts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| District No. | 1, | Paid Jeremiah H. Tucker, | $20 00 |
| | 2, | Samuel Morrill, | 107 53 |
| | 3, | Jabez M. Buswell, | 103 41 |
| | 4, | Abel W. Baker, | 140 68 |
| | 5, | Elisha C. Keniston, | 106 21 |
| | 6, | Silas C. Fifield, | 60 71 |
| | 7, | William H. Edmunds, | 133 00 |
| | 8, | B. F. Kilburn, | 87 17 |
| | 9, | William B. Emery, | 72 37 |
| | 10, | James Flanders, | 198 45 |
| | 11, | A. S. Greeley, | 37 78 |
| | 12, | Williard A. Emery, | 68 48 |
| | 13, | Peter Jones, | 60 95 |
| | 14, | | |
| | 15, | Franklin Avery, | 15 67 |
| | | | $1,212 41 |

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| Due District No. | 1, | $23 81 |
| | 14, | 13 67 |

*Old Debts.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| 1868. | | | |
| April 1, | Paid on note | William D. Woodbury, | $20 00 |
| 15, | | Wm. B. Emery, Wm. Brown's note, | 74 23 |
| | | Wm. B. Emery, Wm. Brown's note, | 621 69 |
| 21, | | James Bailey, | 123 60 |
| May 13, | | Abby A. Stone, | 250 00 |
| Aug. 15, | | Levinna Brown, note and interest, | 53 50 |
| 21, | | Jane Mitchell, note and interest, | 208 95 |
| Oct. 5, | | John P. Carr, note and interest, | 528 50 |
| | | John P. Carr, note and interest, | 316 50 |
| 7, | | Abel B. Durgin, note and interest, | 250 00 |
| Nov. 7, | | Jonathan Emery, | 188 25 |
| 16, | | Josiah Sawyer, | 100 00 |
| Dec. 29, | | Green Greeley, | 120 89 |
| | | " " | 106 21 |
| | | " " | 103 57 |
| 1869. | | | |
| Jan. 7, | | Lowell Brown, note in full, | 879 42 |
| Feb. 16, | | E. C. Cilley, on note, | 18 69 |
| 20, | | Watson Dickerson, on note, | 383 79 |
| | | | $4,347 79 |

*Account of Dog Tax.*

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| 1868. | |
| Collected tax on dogs, | $49 00 |

*Paid Damage done by Dogs in 1868.*

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| 1868. | Feb. | Paid George M. Stevens, | $5 00 |
| | | Alonzo Greeley, | 3 32 |
| | | William Graves, | 2 67 |
| | | D. B. Thurston, | 2 00 |
| | | H. S. Cilley, | 4 66 |
| | | J. C. Kilburn, | 4 00 |
| | | John Rollins, | 4 00 |

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| 1868. | Feb. | Paid William H. Edmunds, | 2 66 |
| | | Charles E. Currier, | 2 00 |
| | | Elihu C. Merrill, | 4 00 |
| | | | $34 31 |
| Cash in the Treasury, | | | $14 69 |
| And several claims unadjusted, | | | $49 00 |

*Lawyers' Fees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Nov. 11, | | Paid Minot & Mugridge, fees for 1866, 1867 and 1868, | $84 73 |
| | | incident to the Mountain Road, | 64 00 |
| 1869. | | | |
| Feb. 20, | | John M. Shirley, for his bill to Minot & Mugridge for services in drafting five papers in Andover v. Merrimack County, in Phelps' case, and to costs paid and other services before commissioners in the same, | 15 00 |
| | | John M. Shirley, on an execution in favor of the town of Wilmot, same case, | 15 17 |
| | | | $178 90 |

*State and County Tax.*

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| 1868. | | | |
| Sept. 9, | | Paid County tax, | $909 01 |
| Dec. 14, | | State tax, | 2,218 75 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Whole amount of money received by the Selectmen for the year ending Feb. 20, 1869, | | $13,651 78 |
| Which is accounted for as follows: | | |
| Paid current expenses, | $1,066 28 | |
| expenses at sale of town farm, | 45 10 | |
| expenses New Mountain Road, | 1,397 09 | |
| extra highway, | 506 98 | |
| extra town pauper, | 161 55 | |

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| Paid county paupers, | 237 38 | |
| school districts, | 1,212 41 | |
| old debts, | 4,347 79 | |
| damage done by dogs, | 34 31 | |
| lawyers' fees, | 178 90 | |
| State tax, | 2,218 75 | |
| county tax, | 909 01 | |
| cash in the treasury, | 1,336 23 | |
| | | $13,651 78 |

*1869, Feb. 20. Debts Against the Town, including Interest.*

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|---|---|
| E. G. Graves, | $2,027 10 |
| Watson Dickerson, | 2,093 33 |
| Abby Stone, | 1,897 22 |
| Samuel Swett, | 195 23 |
| Hiram Cross, | 443 30 |
| Daniel Piper, | 632 49 |
| John Shaw, | 129 84 |
| Friend Bailey, jr., | 129 84 |
| Dorothy Farnum, | 129 84 |
| E. G. Chase, | 218 02 |
| Jacob Weare, | 193 28 |
| Susan Smith, | 324 80 |
| John Shaw, | 385 99 |
| Josiah W. Emery, | 256 04 |
| Isaiah Phelps, | 800 68 |
| A. B. Thompson, | 159 35 |
| W. D. Woodbury, (2 notes,) | 102 25 |
| A. C. Thompson, | 126 29 |
| " " | 236 18 |
| E. H. Davis, | 177 15 |
| " " | 90 26 |
| John Shaw, | 135 64 |
| James Bailey, | 1,049 82 |
| S. W. Sargent, | 497 42 |
| S. C. Fifield, | 363 85 |
| Lydia Brown, | 189 28 |
| E. G. Emery, | 1,163 20 |
| Sarah F. Emery, (Jonathan Emery's note,) | 1,072 10 |
| Abby Loverin, | 73 54 |
| Alfred Davis, | 561 80 |
| " " | 223 66 |

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| William Graves, | 555 44 |
| Nancy M. Maxon, | 38 61 |
| William Graves, | 548 55 |
| Simeon Hall, | 214 22 |
| G. J. Swett, | 160 59 |
| E. C. Cilley, (not reported since 1865,) | 110 00 |
| Rollin E. Davis, | 263 33 |
| Hiram Fellows, | 525 75 |
| William B. Emery, | 210 20 |
| Abby Stone, | 229 93 |
| Abby Davis, | 524 17 |
| Rollin E. Davis, | 261 58 |
| Josiah Sawyer, | 104 64 |
| Enoch Seavey, | 205 73 |
| William Howard, | 359 97 |
| John Graves, | 306 90 |
| Rollin E. Davis, | 204 60 |
| Hiram Fellows, | 255 54 |
| George I. Greeley, | 408 46 |
| | $21,567 00 |

*Debts Due the Town.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Due from | John Fellows, collector for 1864, | $59 48 |
| | Hiram French, aid agent, | 151 14 |
| | William H. Edmunds, collector for 1867, | 213 03 |
| | Alonzo S. Greeley, " " 1868, | 915 64 |
| | Marston, Osgood & Tuttle, March 31, 1869, town farm, | 2,225 00 |
| | Northern Railroad, damage done to R. Pevare's sleigh, | 5 00 |
| Cash in the treasury, | | 1,336 23 |
| | | $4,905 52 |

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| Debts against the town, | $21,567 00 |
| Availabilities, | 4,905 52 |
| Actual indebtedness, Feb. 20, 1869, | $16,661 48 |

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| We have been notified that our proportion of the State tax for 1869, will be | $2,088 00 |
| County tax, | 897 70 |
| School tax authorized by law, | 870 00 |

ALFRED DAVIS,
JOHN GRAVES,
NATHAN WOODBURY, Jr., } *Selectmen of Andover.*

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Having examined the foregoing accounts, I find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY M, BOSWORTH, *Auditor.*

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The undersigned would state in relation to the town farm establishment, that they have complied with the instructions of the town, and have disposed of the same at auction and otherwise. The loss or gain to the establishment, and the proceeds from the sale of the same, are amply set forth in our report.

ALFRED DAV1S,
NATHAN WOODBURY, Jr., } *Selectmen of Andover.*

# REPORT

OF THE

# SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE YEAR 1868–9.

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## GENERAL REMARKS.

At the annual election of March last, Mr. E. G. Emery was chosen your Superintending School Committee, and having resigned, I was appointed to fill the vacancy on the 28th of August, took the customary oath, and entered upon the duties of my office.

Subsequent to my appointment, Mr. Emery sent me reports of the Summer Terms in the following districts: Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 12, and I, of course, have nothing to do with them but to see that they are printed for the benefit of those interested in our schools, if any there be.

I have no apology to make as to the Report I herewith submit, and will only say, I should "have done many things I have left undone," had not sickness preyed upon me on the eve of the hour set apart for performing this duty.

I shall be brief, and, although I will do the best I can, and give thanks that there is no human law against a man's being sick while he holds office, and when he cannot help it, I have to say generally, that whom it hits may have knowledge of the sting—that you who have good school houses know it—you who have those whose condition ought to be bettered should think more of your children, and *you* who have *disgraces* to the name, must *never* let me hear you "cry aloud" that no child is with you in old age. God has given them instinct when you have shut the door to knowledge, and as the drift of "tidal waves" on which young New England, as well as your own "cottage flowers," is towards the setting sun, so will your compensation be for most wanton neglect, the "dead" shall "bury the dead."

## SCHOOL MONEY.

This town should raise $300 this year for schools. All Coos and Grafton look to those things, and act the generous part. Are we to be shamed, while sitting under the drippings of our Capital? Begin a good work while the day lasts. Are the admonitions of your own consciences unheard, in the chagrin of your children? It is our children that hereafter do life's work. We are already "rusty iron."

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## MR. E. G. EMERY'S REPORT.

### District No. 1.

Miss Abbie F. Keniston kept the summer term. This is the smallest school in town; numbering only four scholars. This little school maintained a healthy and progressive existence for six weeks and then passed an examination creditable alike to teacher and scholars.

### District No. 2.

During the summer term, the school was in charge of Mrs. Clara E. Atwood. The average attendance in this school was quite equal to any in town. At the closing examination the school seemed to be well disciplined, but there was an apparent lack in the full comprehension of the principles of the studies pursued, that indicated a want of real zeal and industry, on the part of the scholars, in the duties of the school room. Little valuable will be accomplished in school without earnest work. The teacher, in her remarks, says: "Some of the scholars have not been as studious as they might have been."

### District No. 3.

This school, during the summer term, was under the instruction of Miss Eliza A. Buswell. At its commencement the school afforded indications of becoming a successful and profitable one. Not receiving reasonable notice of its close, I did not visit it a second time. Having no evidence to the contrary, I conclude the results were satisfactory.

### District No. 4.

Miss Pauline S. Miller, the teacher in summer. Miss Miller possesses excellent literary qualifications for one so young; being, when examined, only sixteen years of age. She entered upon her work with an evident determination to do her best. Experience will make her an excellent teacher. At the examination the condition of the school as to progress and discipline seemed to be fair.

### District No. 5.

Miss Sarah A. Pettengill was the teacher the first term. This lady possesses much executive talent, is active and energetic in the performance of her school duties, awakening a like spirit in her pupils. At the close of the school, there was evidence of fair progress.

### District No. 6.

Charles R. Clark kept the summer school. This was the second term in succession this teacher had taught in this district. The good reputation he acquired in the first was fully sustained in the last. He has given this school the benefit of two terms of correct and faithful instruction. We found in the school at its close, harmony abounding, order and progress good.

### District No. 7.

This school, in summer, was taught by Miss Mary E. Cilley. Any place is singularly fortunate that has Miss Cilley for its teacher. Much had been expected of her here from the deservedly high reputation her "Select School," in the spring, at East Andover, had acquired; which, for thorough and systematic instruction, has, probably, never had its superior in town. If ability, culture, judgment and devotion on the part of the teacher, obedience, industry, prompt and accurate recitations on the part of scholars, contribute to make a good school, "then this was one of the best of the good ones." The influence of such instruction upon children is felt during their whole lives. It becomes a part of themselves. They never outgrow or outlive it.

### District No. 8.

This school, in summer, was kept by Maria H. Haley. Miss Haley has had much valuable experience in the school room, all of

which found a use here in her own native district. The school was uniformly found in a pleasant, orderly and progressive state. Improvement decided. The Register showed altogether too many marks for tardiness and irregularity of attendance. When will parents learn to act for the best interests of their children?

### District No. 10.

Miss Drucilla Blaisdell, teacher in summer. Miss Blaisdell has been so long and favorably known as a teacher in town, that she needs no words of commendation. Her schools have uniformly shown a faithful and intelligent devotion to duty that have ever given them a high place among the schools of the town. But, during this term, she seems to have surpassed even herself. The school, at its close, afforded indubitable proof of the most faithful and exact training, not only in the ready recitation of the text, but, also, in the clear and intelligent comprehension of the principles involved. The district may well have a just pride in the present prosperous condition of its school.

### District No. 12.

Miss Jennie E. Colby taught the school in summer. This was a very pleasant and profitable term of school. The teacher possesses those qualities of heart and mind that gained the control of the school with but little effort, governing when least seeming to govern. The school was in a prosperous, happy condition during the term. The examination showed excellent improvement in all the branches taught.

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## MY SPECIAL REPORT.

### No. 2, Cilleyville.

As to this school, see Mr. Emery's report, summer term. In one thing she has surely been a marvel, only 3 tardinesses, 3 dismissals.

### No. 3, West Andover.

The same teacher that had No. 7 second term. A trained regular. Is very ambitious. Is having in this district as she did in No. 7, a *very* good school. She works, deserves success, and has it. I count her one of my best teachers. The school closes in about four weeks.

### No. 4, Mooseum.

There are brains, fire and life in this school. Not an ill-disposed scholar, neither are they tame. The teacher who commenced this school had charge of the summer term in No. 10. Mr. Emery thinks highly of her. The people of that district spoke in her praise, and even here all say she had good gifts to make scholars learn. She left in the midst of the term. Although she is a good scholar, she seems to be void of moral power, one great essential to give tone and ring to the executive department of any government.

Nellie took the reins of government, and the machine ran. There are many that can beat her on the instructive score, who don't amount to anything, because they do not possess what she does, to wit: the moral power to enforce "heaven's first law." And Nellie with that *forte* every-day teachers don't beat you. 25 tardinesses, 31 dismissals.

### No. 5, Beech Hill.

This is her second term. Order and progress good. I recommend the next teacher that enters this school to *at once* find out whether she can get along with any scholar or not, and if *not*, have him turned out of school. 97 tardinesses, 15 dismissals.

### No. 7, Taunton Hill.

Second term was in the charge of a trained regular. This district has a very superior class of scholars, and the district, as a whole, take marked interest in school affairs, and it counts. I ask those, *dead* and *rotting* in apathy as to school matters, to visit every household in this district and notice the children. I find only one *out*, and *that* with parents; too many tardinesses and dismissals, to wit: 150,–11.

Third term was commenced by a Miss Kelly, as I am informed, who in one week left upon the plea of somebody's "sickness," and that she "got more than she bargained for." The teacher who closed No. 4 took the school, and for particulars see that report; 22 tardinesses, 10 dismissals.

### No. 8, Boston Hill.

See Mr. Emery's report, but I will add. I think the teacher did well, and she made out a good Register, together with some sensible remarks, which the members of the district would do well to read; 81 tardinesses, 5 dismissals.

### No. 9, Flaghole.

Teacher one of the trained regulars. This school has been for many years blessed with No. 1 teachers, and now, as of old, the members of this district mean to have that class. The school was long, and her Register speaks volumes for herself, the school, scholars and district; 13 tardinesses, 13 dismissals.

### No. 10, Portsmouth.

I can speak of this school in no better way than to insert the remarks of the *able* teacher who took the school in the *midst* of a *riot*. He says: "Owing to a general unpleasantness, Mr. James who commenced the school, left it at the close of the third week, and I found it somewhat demoralized. Less than 40 scholars were distributed into 48 classes. The school generally was imbued with the idea that a teacher was an animal to be cheated and evaded as much as possible, that he had no control over children outside the schoolroom, and that the chief end of boys, if not of men, was to get rid of all work possible. It has been my aim to teach the school decency and order at recess and noon-times, as well as in school hours, and to get all the *solid*, *telling work* out of it which I could, and I have succeeded better than I expected. The school needs steady government and hard work, having these there need be no trouble with it. The large scholars, especially, have done and learned remarkably well. As regards visiting the school, parents show a sublime indifference, and irregular attendance in many cases neutralizes all efforts of the teachings." 338 tardinesses, 39 dismissals.

### No. 11, Tucker Mountain.

This was a nice little school. Teacher, scholars and all did well. I would suggest, however, that the "attic rhyme" be remembered,

> "Let every foreign tongue alone,
> Till you can read and spell your own."

2 tardinesses, 7 dismissals.

### No. 12, Back Road.

Young teacher. I only saw the school near its close. She looked as though she *could* do well, *and was willing to try*. 15 tardinesses, 7 dismissals.

### No. 13, Emery Road.

One of the trained regulars taught this school. She knows how. 11 tardinesses, 23 dismissals.

"Thus endeth the reading of the first lesson."

Our schools still continue to diminish in numbers—marriages are less common than of old—and even in one district where the most of *that* in town has been done, the children, "O, where are they?"

For further particulars, see tables.

In sickness and haste, I am,

Hiram F. French,
*Superintending School Committee of Andover.*

# STATISTICS OF DISTRICTS.

| No. of District | Name of Prudential Committee | Teacher 1st Term | Teacher 2d Term | Length of School in weeks | | Pay per Month, including board | | No. of Scholars | | No. diff't Scholars | No. between 4–14 not attending School | | No. Whipped | | No. in Reading | | No. in Spelling | | No. in Arithmetic | | No. in Grammar | | No. in Geography | |
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| 1 | Jeremiah S Tucker. | Abby F. Keniston. | | 6 | | 12.00 | | 5 | | 5 | 3 | | 0 | | 5 | | 4 | | 2 | | 0 | | 2 | |
| 2 | Samuel Morrill. | Clara E. Atwood. | Clara E. Atwood. | 8 | 13 | 16.00 | 20.00 | 28 | 36 | 38 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 36 | 28 | 36 | 14 | 22 | 2 | 9 | 18 | 23 |
| 3 | A.A. & J.M.Buswell. | Eliza A. Buswell. | Katie C. Thompson. | 9 | 14 | 14.00 | | 15 | | 17 | 2 | | 0 | | 17 | | 17 | | 10 | | 1 | | 8 | |
| 4 | Abel W. Baker. | Pauline S. Miller. | Nellie M. Edmunds. | 8 | 5 | 20.00 | 24.00 | 34 | 27 | 36 | 4 | 11 | 5 | 2 | 34 | 27 | 24 | 27 | 24 | 12 | 5 | 8 | 12 | 9 |
| 5 | E. C. Keniston. | Sarah A. Pettingill. | Clara A. Clay. | 8 | 12 | 17.00 | 20.00 | 25 | 21 | 27 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 21 | 25 | 21 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 6 | S. C. Fifield. | Charles R. Clark. | | 13 | | 24 00 | | 24 | | 24 | 4 | | 2 | | 23 | | 23 | | 21 | | 2 | | 12 | |
| 7 | Wm. H. Edmunds. | Mary E. Cilley. | Katie C. Thompson, & | 8 | 8 | 22.40 | 24.00 | 30 | 34 | 39 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 34 | 27 | 30 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 21 |
| | | | 3d, Nel' M. Edmunds. | | 6 | | 22.00 | | 29 | | | 4 | | 4 | | 29 | | 29 | | 28 | | 5 | | 22 |
| 8 | B. F. Kilburn. | Maria H. Haley. | Maria H. Haley. | 8 | 11 | 16.00 | 18.00 | 23 | 22 | 28 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 23 | 22 | 23 | 22 | 18 | 22 | 6 | 2 | 8 | 12 |
| 9 | Wm. B. Emery. | Lucy J. Emery. | | 14 | | 17.00 | | 12 | | 12 | 1 | | 0 | | 12 | | 12 | | 10 | | 1 | | 3 | |
| 10 | James Flanders. | Drusilla Blaisdell. | H. M. Putney, Esq. | 10 | 13 | 25.00 | 50.00 | 39 | 34 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 7 | 37 | 32 | 37 | 30 | 26 | 30 | 6 | 11 | 9 | 21 |
| 11 | Alonzo Greeley. | Emma F. Kelley. | | 9 | | 16.00 | | 10 | | 10 | 0 | | 1 | | 9 | | 9 | | 4 | | 2 | | 1 | |
| 12 | Willard A. Emery. | Jennie E. Colby. | Emma M. Westgate. | 8 | 6½ | 17.00 | 4.25 | 17 | 16 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 17 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 12 | 12 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 10 |
| 13 | Peter Jones. | M. E. Marston. | | 9 | | 24.00 | | 8 | | 8 | 1 | | 0 | | 8 | | 8 | | 7 | | 4 | | 2 | |

# STATISTICS OF DISTRICTS CONTINUED.

| No. of District | No. in History | | No. in Algebra | | Penmanship | | Composition | | Other Studies | | No. not absent ½ day | | Behaved Well | | Behaved Ill | | Studied Well | | Remiss in Study | | Ranked Plus | | Ranked Minus | |
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